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House File 88

January 22, 1947.
County and Township Affairs.

By AVERY.

A BILL FOR

An Act providing that upon a vacancy in the office of sheriff, the first deputy shall immediately assume the office of sheriff until the vacancy is filled.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 Section 1. Upon a vacancy in the office of sheriff
- 2 the first deputy shall assume the office of sheriff upon
- 3 qualifying as required by law, and shall hold said office
- 4 until the vacancy is filled, as provided by law.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 88

There have been instances where a period of time has elapsed after the death of sheriffs before the board of supervisors could agree upon a successor, and the county coroner has failed or refused to carry out the duties of the office. The above provision is necessary in some instances to be assured that the duties of the office will be performed, and under the law the deputy now is without power or authority to act after the death of his principal.